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Pennsylvania Ranks Third Nationally in Trout Value of Sales

The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in Pennsylvania totaled 6.46 million dollars for 2019, a decrease of 3 percent from 2018. Pennsylvania accounted for 7 percent of the total value of fish sold in the United States, ranking Pennsylvania third nationally behind Idaho and North Carolina, according to King Whetstone, Regional Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Northeastern Regional Office.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold during 2019 totaled 1.09 million fish, down 10 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was \$4.40, up 12 cents from 2018. The value of sales for the 2019 marketing year was 5.28 million dollars, up 3 percent from 2018.

The number of 6"- 12" trout sold during 2019 totaled 420 thousand fish, a decrease of 28 percent from 2018. The average price per pound was \$5.30 during 2019, up \$1.01 from the 2018 price. The total value of sales was 1.09 million dollars during 2019, a 25 percent decrease from the previous year.

The number of 1"- 6" trout sold during 2019 totaled 280 thousand, a 33 percent increase from the previous year. The average value per 1,000 fish was \$304 during 2019, down 148 dollars from 2018. The total value of sales was 85 thousand dollars, down 11 percent from the previous year's total.

Distributed Trout

Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, enhancement, or recreational purposes, primarily by State and Federal hatcheries, included 1.15 million 12" or longer fish, 4.43 million 6"- 12" fish, and 2.32 million 1"- 6" fish. The estimated value of fish distributed totaled 14.6 million dollars, down 2 percent from 2018.

Trout Losses

Total losses of all trout intended for sale were 906 thousand fish during 2019.

For the complete 'Trout Production' report, go to: https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/t722h882h

The 'Trout Production' report and all other NASS reports are available online at <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>.

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